

Curricular Area: Social Subjects **Course Title:** Advanced Higher Modern Studies

Course Description

The aim of the Advanced Higher Modern Studies course is to develop the candidate's knowledge and understanding, evaluative and investigative skills in relation to Contemporary Issues. The Advanced Higher course looks specifically at Comparative Politics and social science Research Methods.

Assessment

Advanced Higher students are required to pass two Unit Assessments, which are internally assessed. Students will also sit an exam and submit a 4000-5000 word dissertation, which are both externally assessed.

Home Study Expectations

Students will be expected to devote a significant amount of time at home to independently study for this course. Tasks will often include background reading; preparing tutorial presentations; answering questions from course notes to reinforce learning; answering past paper questions; planning and/or writing essays; revision for Unit Assessments, the Prelim and the final exam; and research and planning for the dissertation.

Possible next level of study

A pass at Advanced Higher a well-respected qualification amongst colleges and universities is excellent preparation for a range of Higher Education courses.

Wider Achievement Opportunities

Students have many opportunities to explore and develop in Modern Studies through report writing, essays, debating and many other activities.

Possible career paths

Modern Studies opens the door to a whole range of future careers and pathways including Law, Police, Social Work, Journalism, Media, Politics, Teaching, Civil Services, Management, Social policy, Local Government, Anthropology, Sociology, Charity Work, Marketing, Banking, Welfare Rights plus many more.